



County Seat: Hardin

Big Horn County Health Profile, October 2004

Big Horn County Public Health

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The Crow Reservation and part of the Northern Cheyenne Reservation are located in Big Horn County.

DEMOGRAPHICS	Big Horn					Montana						
Area		4,995 square miles					145,552 square miles					
Population Density and Status		2.6/ sq. mi. (frontier)					6.3/ sq. mi. (10 rural, 45 frontier, 1 urban)					
Urban Population ¹	28.2%					54.1%						
Population ² :	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other	Male	Female	White	Am Ind	Other		
Gender Race	6,331	6,483	4,648	7,834	332	453,738	456,634	829,147	58,167	23,058		
Age	0-4	5-9	10-13	14-17	<18	0-4	5-9	10-13	14-17	<18		
	1,197	1,125	1,039	1,007	4,368	53,422	56,893	52,324	56,138	218,777		
	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	18+		
	1,295	3,256	2,777	1,118	8,446	93,543	235,792	238,475	123,785	691,595		
	Total Population: 12,814					Total Population: 910,372						
Educational Attainment of the	HS Graduate (or GED)			Bachelo	r Degree	HS Gr	aduate (or	Bachelo	r Degree			
Population 25 years or Older ¹	76%			14	4%		87%	24%				
Full- and Part-time Employment, by Industry (three largest)	Largest industries and percent of all jobs					Largest industries and percent of all jobs						
	State and local government (27.6%)					Retail trade (12.4%)						
	Farm (13.4%)					State and local government (12%)						
	Incomplete data (11.6%)					Health care/social assistance (10.5%)						
(Notable others ≥ 10% of all jobs)	None					None						
Unemployment Rate ³	15.7%					4.7%						
Median Household Income ¹	\$27,684					\$33,024						
Per Capita Income⁴	\$16,187				\$24,831							
Percent of Population Below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) ¹ : by Age Group by Income as a Percent of FPL	All ages		<18	18+	65+	All ages		<18	18+	65+		
	29.2%		37%	25%	20%	14.6%		19%	13%	9%		
	50%	10	0%	150%	200%	50%	10	0%	150%	200%		
	11%	11% 29.2%		44%	54%	6%	6% 14		.6% 26% 37			
Percent of Population with Health Care Costs covered by a	Medicaid			Medicare			icaid	Medicare				
Government Payor	30.5%		9.4%			12.	3%	15.4%				
Percent of Persons 21 Years and	21	- 64	6	65 and older			- 64	65 and older				
Older with a Disability (number) ¹	29% (1,864)			46% (458	3)	17% (85,337)			40% (45,284)			
Live Births per 1,000 Population ⁵	19.2 (n = 1,221)				12.2 (n = 54,508)							
Deaths per 1,000 Population ⁵	8.5 (n = 540)				9.1 (n = 40,837)							
Median Age:	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All	Male	Fem	White	Am Ind	All		
by Gender, Race ¹	27.9	31.4	41.4	22.4	29.8	36.6	38.5	38.8	24.4	37.5		
at Death ⁵	68	74	79	60	71	75	81	79	62	78		
(number of deaths)	(297)	(243)	(275)	(265)	(540)	(20,806)	(20,028)	(38,716)	(1,958)	(40,837)		

¹ Census 2000.

² 2002 Census Bureau estimate.

⁴ 2002 U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

³ 2003 MT Dept. Labor & Industry.

⁵ 1998-2002, Office of Vital Statistics, DPHHS.

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HEALTH STATUS INDICATORS		Big I	Horn		Montana				
Fertility Rates (teen births per 1,000 teen females;	Teen All Wome		omen	Teen All Wom			omen		
all births per 1,000 females of childbearing age) ⁶	91.3 ((n=270)	89.9 (n	=1,221)	36.2 (r	n=6,357)	59.5 (n=	=54,508)	
Prenatal Care (percent beginning care in the first trimester;		imester	,	guacy	,	imester	,	quacy	
percent receiving adequate, i.e., early and continuous prenatal care) ⁶			48.2%					'	
Percent Low Birthweight (below 5 lbs. 8 oz.) ⁶		67.4% 48.2% 7.0%			82.8% 73.2% 6.8%				
Infant Mortality (deaths per 1,000 live births) ⁶	9.0				6.8				
Cancer Incidence Rate (diagnoses per 100,000 population) ⁷	496.6 (95% C.I. ±63.5)				474.3 (95% C.I. ±6.2)				
Leading Causes of Death ⁶		1. CANCER 2. HEART DISEASE			1. HEART DISEASE 2. CANCER				
		3. ACCIDENT				3. CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE			
Heart Disease Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	174.9 (n=111)				221.2 (n=9,913)				
Age-adjusted Heart Disease Death Rate ⁶	250.6				203.4				
Motor Vehicle Accident Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶		89.8 (n=57)				24.5 (n=1,097)			
Suicide Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶		15.8 (n=10)				18.5 (n=830)			
Traumatic Injury Death Rate (per 100,000 population) ⁶	67.8 (n=43)				55.6 (n=2,490)				
Percent of Motor Vehicle Crashes Involving Alcohol	18.4% (n=185)				9.8% (n=10,833)				
Percent of the Medicaid Population Receiving Mental Health Services (FY2003)		5.6%				17.7%			
Percent of 2-yr. Olds Seen by a Health Care Provider that are Fully Immunized (2003)	97% (n=61)				90% (n=2,439)				
STD Incidence Rate (reported cases per 100,000)		888.8 (n=564)				207.0 (n=9,277)			
HEALTH RESOURCE ASSESSMENT, 2002	Big Horn				Montana				
Local Hospitals, Critical Access Hospitals (CAH), and Total Number of Beds		lospitals	CAH	# beds	Local F	Hospitals	CAH	# beds	
		0		42	21 local; 2 psychiatric; 1 VA		40	2,902	
Rural Health Clinics, Community Health Centers, and IHS-Tribal Health Facilities (number)	RHC 0	CHC 0	IHS-Tribal 3		RHC 40	CHC 20	IHS-Tribal 14		
Availability of Basic and Enhanced 9-1-1 Services		Basic Basic-all counties; Enhanced-21 coun							
Availability of Emergency Medical Services:		# Big Horn County Locations							
Basic Life Support Services		3 Decker, Lodge Grass, Hardin							
Advanced Life Support Services		1 Hardin							
Nursing Homes (number of facilities and beds)		3 (113 beds)				100 (7,374 beds)			
Aging Services: number of Assisted Living Facilities [ALF], Adult Foster Care [AFC], and Adult Day Care [ADC] Licenses		(# beds)	AFC	ADC	ΔIF (# beds)	AFC	ADC	
		(11)	0	0		(3,597)	119	63	
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Home Care Services: number of Home Health Agency [HHA] and Hospice Licenses		HHA		Hospice 1		76		Hospice 31	
,		0		1		76		31	
Public Health Resources: number of full-time equivalent Public Health Nurses [PHN], Registered Sanitarians [RS], Registered Dietitians [RD], and Health Educators [HlthEd]		RS	RD	HlthEd	PHN	RS	RD	HlthEd	
		1	0.5	0	124.4	84.5	14.0	41.3	
Primary Care Provider Resources: number of doctors [MDs and DOs], Nurse Midwives [NMW], Nurse Practitioners [NP], and Physician's Assistants [PA-C]		NMW	NP	PA-C	MD/DO	NMW	NP	PA-C	
		0	6	3	881	34	314	264	
Dental Resources: Dentists and Dental Hygienists	 	1 dentists 0 hygienists 505 dentists 437 hygie						gienists	
Health Care Provider Shortage Status:		Federal HPSA: All							
Health Professional Shortage Areas [HPSA]	Mental Health HPSA: Yes Dental HPSA: All MUA/MUP: All								
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⁶ 1998-2002, Office of Vital Statistics, DPHHS.

⁷ 1998-2002, age-adjusted, Montana Tumor Registry, DPHHS.